

## BLACK CROSS ON SLAYERS DOOR.

Angry Crowd of Sicilians Threatens Vengeance on Murderer of Peter Guardini.

WIDOW IN A RAGE.

Strikes the Portal of Ziropoli's Home and Cries in Her Anger: "Come Out and Meet Death!"

While old Antonio Ziropoli and his wife remain locked up in the Tombs Prison they are safe. Outside their thick stone walls the life of either would not be worth a penny.

Since the killing of Peter Guardini last Sunday afternoon the Italian colony in Elizabeth street has been at a fever heat, and the Guardini family has taken the oath of vengeance and placed upon Antonio Ziropoli's door the emblem of death. This to the Sicilians is the black cross, and for more than twenty-four hours since the arrest of old Antonio and his wife the black cross has hung over the door of his vacant rooms at No. 126 Elizabeth street.

It was after a meeting of the dead man's widow and brothers that a crowd of excited Sicilians entered the tenement. It was just at dusk.

The widow headed the party. She was chanting in her native tongue and carried under her arm a roll of cloth. Upon reaching the hall outside the Ziropoli apartments she struck the door with her clenched hand and called upon any occupant to come out.

"Come out and meet death!" she screamed in a paroxysm of rage.

Her only answer was the echo of her own wrathful words from the vacant halls above.

**Black Cross Put Up.**  
She drew the bundle of cloth from beneath her arm and spread it out. It was a long piece of cheap white muslin, and on it was painted a large black cross. She hung it up over the door, and then, taking a hammer and some nails from the hand of her brother-in-law, Leo, she tacked it securely to the door casings.

And there before the black cross and in the dim light the widow called upon her dead husband's brothers to take the oath of vengeance. They knelt before the cross, and, raising their hands aloft, took the oath that means death to Antonio Ziropoli, his wife and all his offspring.

Since the stabbing of Peter Guardini on Sunday by old Ziropoli, the police have been endeavoring to find some more sufficient reason for the crime than that which first offered. Both families were of the better class of Italians, and, although it takes but little to stir up Italian blood, the police wanted to find, if possible, a deeper motive.

**Real Cause of the Trouble.**  
Persistent and careful inquiry has developed a story which is regarded as the real cause of the trouble. The Guardinis and the Ziropolis had been neighbors for years, and it is claimed that a member of the Ziropoli family suffered a wrong by Peter Guardini, the man now dead. This, it is alleged, started the grudge that culminated in the stabbing of Sunday when Peter met his death. It is said old Ziropoli would long before have killed Peter had not his daughter pleaded with him not to risk his life.

S. Delmonico, of No. 6 Prince street, who is a political power in the Italian colony, said to-day:

"I have heard of this old trouble between the two families and I believe it began the bad feeling between them. The Sicilians are a hot-blooded race, and unless the Ziropolis are protected they will be killed, although it may be years before an attempt is made upon the lives of any of them."

"They nailed the black cross to Ziropoli's door, and to a Sicilian that means death and vengeance."

**The Daughter in Hiding.**  
The daughter is now in hiding. She is somewhere with her relatives in Sullivan street, I understand. It would be better for the whole family to leave New York and get to some safe place in the West. This is the beginning of the feud, and I know enough of the Sicilian character to know just what will happen."

"With the poorer class a cash consideration would help settle the trouble, but with the Guardinis nothing but life will satisfy."

**C. A. GRISCOM'S YACHT BACK.**

The Alvin has been cruising in British and German waters.

The American steam yacht Alvin, Capt. Irvine, owned by Clement A. Griscom, of Philadelphia, arrived to-day from Southampton after a twelve-day passage. She has been cruising in British and German waters two months. She was in the coronation naval review at Spithead and was present at the Kiel regatta, where Emperor William visited the Alvin as the guest of Mr. Griscom.

### SHIPPING NEWS.

ALMANAC FOR TO-DAY.  
Sun rises, 5:08; Sun sets, 7:01; Moon rises, 12:50; HIGH WATER, 10:10; LOW WATER, 4:21; Bell time, 6:14.

### PORT OF NEW YORK.

ARRIVED.  
Toscani, from Liverpool, 10:00.  
Maurice Maria Thiers, from Bremen, 10:00.  
Elm Branch, from Trieste, 10:00.  
Columbia, from Jacksonville, 10:00.  
Rudolf, from Bremen, 10:00.  
Barbarossa, from Bremen, 10:00.

OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS.  
Sailed to-day.  
Angelo Victoria, Ham-Otze, Nansu, 10:00.  
Burg, to London, 10:00.  
La Jaurion, Havre, 10:00.  
Fremont, Kure, 10:00.  
Vladivostok, 10:00.

INCOMING STEAMSHIPS.  
Due to-day.  
Albatross, from London, 10:00.  
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## LOVE FOR BABY UNITES PARENTS AFTER FATHER HAD SEIZED ANOTHER'S CHILD.



How John Reilly's love for his baby has reconciled him to his wife and will lead to the establishment of a little home for the three of them is here told. Reilly is a handsome man, thirty-six years old, a plumber's helper, sober and a hard worker. His wife, Kate, eleven years his junior, is a pale little woman of attractive face and figure and the baby is a glorious little red-head, fairly radiating health and happiness.

For two years Reilly and his wife have lived apart. Mrs. Reilly says that she loves her husband and the only reason she left him was because her mother and her sister interfered in her family affairs. The separation occurred in June, 1900, when Baby Reilly was two months old.

Since that time Reilly had seen the baby only twice up to this morning, when he came to the room in the West Side Court by crossing the room in three bounds, grasping his weeping wife and rosy little one to his arms and kissing both of them with a fervor that moved even the stern magistrate.

**Brooded Over False Reports.**

The manner of John Reilly's appearance makes a curious story. He had heard that his wife was neglecting the baby, and he brooded over the false information until he became temporarily insane. While in this condition yesterday he invaded the home of Joseph

Heime, at No. 796 Eighth avenue, and attempted to steal the three-year-old Heime baby from its cot. Heime drove him out, but later on he attempted to take the baby from its mother in the street, and for this he was arrested on a charge of attempted kidnapping and lodged in the West Forty-seventh street police station.

Mrs. Reilly heard of his plight and in was in court this morning with her child. She knew that John thought the Heime baby was his own, but Mrs. Heime did not know, nor would she listen to explanations. With her little one clasped to her breast she stood inside the enclosure at the Magistrate's desk giving audible voice to her opinion that Reilly should be sent to prison for the rest of his life.

Reilly had no sooner entered the courtroom from the prison pen than a strange light came into his eyes. Bounding across the room, knocking policemen and spectators aside, he caught the baby, and Mrs. Heime, who could not be loosened. The hum of the court was hushed. Nothing could be heard but the sobs of the husband and wife and the cooing of the baby.

**Court Was Moved.**

Magistrate Meade adjourned a case he was hearing and called Reilly to the desk. Mrs. Heime, who had looked with wonder at the meeting of the Reillys, lost her look of resentment. There were

tears in her eyes when she took her place alongside the man who had tried to take her baby.

"Only me all about it," commanded the Magistrate.

Reilly held the little one in his arms, soothing it. His wife stood beside him, holding to the sleeve of his coat. And this is the tale Reilly told:

"For more than two years, Your Honor, there has not been a night that I have not wet my pillow with tears because I was separated from Mary and the baby. The image of the little fellow was always before me, just as he looked when I saw him last, a year ago. Then, on his birthday, my wife sent me a lock of his curly hair. In the letter she said that if I would meet her at Fifty-fifth street and Eighth avenue I could see the baby."

"I did not hear from her again, but I thought she was with her folks, but somebody told me a few days ago that she was out doing housework by day and boarding the baby with a woman at No. 796 Eighth avenue. I brooded over this until I became stark mad."

"I went into every flat in the house. There were many babies there, but none looked like mine until I saw one in a flat on the top floor. He was a golden-haired little fellow. I took the lock of my baby's hair from my pocket and laid it on his head. The colors matched. I thought it was my baby."

## GIRL GETS ANOTHER ANONYMOUS LETTER.

This One Is So Scurrilous Mary Skiff's Mother Will Not Let Her See It, and It Is Not Fit to Print.

Another anonymous letter has been received by Miss Mary Skiff, which, when her mother opened it, was found to be of such a scurrilous nature that the girl was not allowed to see it; and it cannot be printed. Mrs. Skiff does not believe it was written by the same person who wrote the other letters.

Miss Skiff said to-day to an Evening World reporter:

"We do not believe this letter was written by the same person who wrote the others. This one was partly printed and partly written."

"I believe, furthermore, that the person who beat Mr. Swany and 'Big' Smith are the same who wrote Smith's name in the hat and left it so he would be suspected and arrested. They probably did this out of vengeance."

**PASSENGERS ON BARBAROSSA.**

Among the passengers who arrived to-day on the steamer Barbarossa from Bremen and Cherbourg were John Chase, Dr. Edward G. Elliott, Morris J. Fleischmann, Charles E. Green, C. Meyer Klatt, William Lampe, Edwin M. Quinby and Marmaduke Richardson.

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## ODELL GUEST OF PRESIDENT TO-DAY.

Governor Has Luncheon at Sagamore Hill and Says Visit Is Entirely Social—No Political Talk.

OYSTER BAY, L. I., Aug. 14.—Gov. B. B. Odell arrived here at 12:20 to-day in a private car which was attached to the regular train.

He was driven at once to the President's home. Gov. Odell said he had been asked some time ago by the President to make a social call, and he had been anxious ever since receiving the invitation to do so, but had not had the time until now. He said his visit was purely social, and politics would not be discussed so far as he knew.

The Governor will leave Sagamore Hill this afternoon in time to catch the 4:14 train back to New York.

When the train pulled in at the station there were only a few people on the platform and there was no demonstration of any kind.

**POST OFFICE CLERK ARRESTED.**

Joseph W. Kay, a clerk for seventeen years in the Post Office at the General Post Office, was to-day held by United States Commissioner Shields in \$2,500 bail on a charge of stealing letters. Kay lives at No. 21 Hall street, Brooklyn.

## NEW YORK LAWYER DIES AT BALLSTON.

Millionaire Frank Thompson a Quick Victim of Oedema of the Lungs—Mind Weakened by Business Strain.

BALLSTON, N. Y., Aug. 14.—Frank Thompson, a lawyer, who formerly practiced in New York City, died here to-day after an illness of eight hours, of oedema of the lungs.

Mr. Thompson was fifty-nine years old. He was a graduate of Columbia College and Law School. In 1884 he was appointed receiver of the Abington Square Savings Bank of New York and successfully conducted its affairs for the depositors.

Mr. Thompson's mind gave way under the strain of this work and he never quite recovered his mental balance. He was unmarried and leaves an estate valued at a million dollars.

**DUKE IS NOT COMING.**

Marlborough Went to Southampton

to See Duchess of for America.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The announcement made yesterday that the Duke of Marlborough had sailed for New York on the Kronprinz Wilhelm was erroneous. The Duke went to Southampton to say good-bye to the Duchess, who sailed with her mother, Mrs. C. H. P. Belmont, and Mr. Belmont, and he then returned to Blenheim.

A PRETTY and cool retreat—our Candy and Soda Water Department, Main Floor, Rear of Rotunda.

Simpson Crawford Co.

WHEN tired of shopping refresh yourself at our Candy and Soda Water Department.

## Clearance is the Goal in the Clothing Department.

(Second Floor.)

—hence, deeply-cut prices. Clearance is the means to attain an end. No goods carried over from one season to another is the policy of this establishment. So, to clear the counters as quickly as possible, we make on the balance of the stock (both Men's and Boys') most stirring sacrifices.

Men's all-wool Flannel and Crash Suits, regulation \$10.00 to \$12.50 Garments; to go at

**\$6.50.**

All our fancy Cassimeres, Cheviots and Worsteds, that have sold as high as \$20.00, coats half lined, thus right for early Fall wear, are reduced to

**\$10.00.**

Men's Trousers of all-wool Crash and Flannels, in neat, stylish patterns; suitable for present and early Fall wear; regular \$5.00 kind, now, . . . . .

**\$2.75.**

**Boys' Wash Suits.**

Of fine grade materials, in pretty stylish patterns; sizes 3 to 10 years, . . . . .

**95 and \$1.95**

Balance of the stock of Boys' Wash Suits, that have sold as high as 75c., to go at . . . . .

**19**

All our Boys' and Children's Straw Hats now marked to exactly half former prices.

**Women's 79c. to \$1.50 Neckwear, 39c.**

(Main Floor.)

Without a doubt the greatest Neckwear opportunity of the season. Every piece is new and daintily fresh. The styles are charmingly pretty and such as will appeal to every feminine fancy.

None are worth less than 79c., and from that the values range to \$1.50.

Among the many styles are: Roll Top Shirt Waist Collars, in embroidered Valenciennes Lace, Pique or Grass Linen, in endless varieties and patterns.

Hand Embroidered Ping-Pong Shirt Waist Sets of Grass Linen, in different colors and combinations.

Bishop Stocks, hand embroidered, hemstitched or plain, in all colors.

Hand Embroidered Roll-Over Collars, trimmed with fine Valenciennes Lace, in white and colors.

Ascot ties, with white or embroidered stocks, or fancy colors.

Skeleton Stocks, hand made, in fancy stitches and fine embroidery.

Fine Lastette Claire Stocks and Barbs, with ends to match, in white and colors, with fancy top collars or Valenciennes Lace trimmed ends.

**All at the One Price of 39c.**

**Small Leather Goods and Belts.**

(Main Floor.)

Our Small Leather and Fancy Goods Department is a perfect mine of treasures for those who are looking for such articles. Visitors to New York who are on the lookout for dainty presents for those at home cannot do better than look over our stock. From such a showing it is difficult to pick out any for special mention.

Wrist Bags, in all the popular styles, at about one-half regular prices, . . . . .

**75 to \$1.95**

Women's Belts, in black or white linen and the new shades of green, blue and red, . . . . .

**25**

Women's Belts, in moire, with steel buckles; our regular 50c. goods; exceptional value, . . . . .

**39**

No such immense assortments of really wearable Leather Goods can be found elsewhere in Greater New York. Flasks, Pocketbooks, Card Cases, Music Rolls, Medicine and Jewel Cases—in fact, everything in Leather Goods in endless varieties can be found here.

**Sixth Ave., 19th to 20th St.**

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## 100 Dozen White Lawn Waists, Actual \$2.50 Value, at \$1.00.

(Second Floor.)

We were fortunate enough to secure from a maker 100 dozen new, dainty, White Lawn Waists at a price entirely inconsistent with value; hence we can offer you regular \$2.50 sorts for \$1.00. Made of sheer quality White India Lawn, with three rows of Hamburg embroidery, 1½ inches wide; fine tucked collar and cuffs; tucking between embroidery.

As above stated, regular \$2.50 value, at . . . . .

**\$1.00**

**Important Silk Offerings.**

(Main Floor.)

Imported Black Taffeta, bright, lustrous and good quality, yard . . . . .

**50**

Foulard Silks, Satins and Twills, full assortment of patterns, including polka dots, worth double this price, yard . . . . .

**48**

White Habutai Silks, 27 inches wide, very desirable, yard . . . . .

**35**

**Clearance of Men's Bathing Suits.**

(Main Floor.)

Our entire line of men's pure worsted two-piece Bathing Suits, sold until now at from \$2.00 to \$4.50; to close . . . . .

**\$1.65**

Men's two-piece fast color cotton Jersey Bathing Suits, sold until now at 87c. to \$1.50; to close . . . . .

**50**

**75c. to \$1.25 Negligee Shirts, 58c.**

(Main Floor.)

Men's Negligee Shirts, in several styles of broken lines of high grade goods; also good styles in plain or plaided whites and tans; full size body, well made, good fitting Shirts; sold during the season at 75c. to \$1.25 each; now, . . . . .

**58**

**Men's Underwear, 50c. Values up to \$1.75.**

(Main Floor.)

About 600 pieces Men's High-Grade Summer-Weight Shirts and Drawers, broken sizes and lines, in white, ecru and some plain colors; excellent qualities; not all sizes in each lot, but all sizes in the entire gathering; materials are liles and fine cottons; none worth less than \$1.00, many worth up to \$1.75 each; to close at . . . . .

**50**

**Men's 50c. Neckwear, 15c.**

(Main Floor.)

About 250 dozen pure silk Scarfs, batwings and four-in-hands; odds and ends of goods which we want to clear out, thus the sensational price of . . . . .

**15**

**Hamburg Embroideries.**

(Main Floor.)

Closing out finest qualities of Nainsook and Cambric Flouncings, 12 to 15 inches wide, suitable for skirts, corset covers, demiflounces, etc.; slightly soiled and mused; regular 75c. goods, for, yard . . . . .

**45**

The largest and most complete assortment in this city of finished Embroidered Beddings and Bandings, desirable for collar, cuff and shirtwaist sets, may be seen at this store.

Fine qualities in hemstitched and lace trimmed embroidered Nainsook Demi-Flouncings; 27 inches wide; in demand for children's dresses; yard . . . . .

**90 to \$1.50**

**Maid's 35c. Aprons at 25c.**

Of fine Lawns, 3 styles, with choice white embroidered insertion; also with hemstitched hem all around; also with 6 tucks across bottom; regular price 35c.; at . . . . .

**25**

**\$4.00 Cambric Shams, \$2.98**

With 3 different styles of embroidered centres and deep embroidered ruffle; positively will not be equalled anywhere under \$4.00 the pair; special here at . . . . .

**\$2.98**

**Specials in Summer Gloves.**

(Main Floor, Front.)

Women's Black and White 2-Clasp Pure Silk Gloves, double finger tips; the guaranteed kind; the pair . . . . .

**50**

Women's 2-Clasp Milanese Suede Lisle Gloves, in black only; regular 75c. value, at . . . . .

**39**

Clearance of oddments in Lisle Gloves, black, white and colors; regular prices 35c. to 75c. the pair, at . . . . .

**25**

Long Black and White Silk Gloves, 12-button Saxe Milanese, at . . . . .

**75**

10-button Saxe Milanese, at . . . . .